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NOVEL NON-CRYSTALLINE OXIDES FOR USE IN MICROELECTRONIC,

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Sir:

This Amendment After Final is responsive to the final Office Action dated January 7, 2003. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment After Final and allowance of the present application. Alternatively, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment as narrowing the issues for further consideration. A "Version with Marking to Show Changes Made" is attached.

In the Claims:

Please replace claim 2 with the following amended claim.

2. (Amended) The oxide according to Claim 1, wherein A is aluminum (Al), B is tantalum (Ta), M is hafnium (Hf) or zirconium (Zr), n is 1, m is 2, and x is less than 0.25.

Please replace claim 14 with the following amended claim.

14. (Amended) The field effect transistor according to Claim 11, wherein A is aluminum (Al), B is tantalum (Ta), M is hafnium (Hf) or zirconium (Zr), n is 1, m is 2, and x is less than 0.25.